

## REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 4-9, 11-12 and 15-30 are pending herein. Claims 34 and 35 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Examiner Nelson is thanked for courtesies extended to Applicants' undersigned representative during several telephone discussions between October 30, 2006 and November 2, 2006. During the telephone discussion on October 31, 2006, Examiner Nelson stated that cancelling claims 34 and 35 would place this application in condition for allowance.

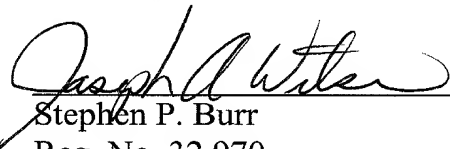
Applicant respectfully submits that this Amendment After Final Rejection is proper under Rule 1.16 and should thus be entered, because it simply cancels claims 34 and 35. As such, this Amendment After Final Rejection places the remaining pending claims in condition for allowance without creating any new issues for Examiner Nelson to consider.

If Examiner Nelson believes that contact with Applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, she is herein requested to call Applicant's attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

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